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## Reminder *Media Advisory*Operation Safe Streets Kick-Off

What: "Operation Safe Streets – Corridor Enforcement"

When: Wednesday, May 4, 2011

Media Conference Kick-Off: 10:00 a.m.

Enforcement: Immediately following the conference through 2:00 p.m. Events to be held light rain or shine.

Where: Enforcement: Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring

from the District line to Connecticut Avenue.

Media Conference Kick-off: At the end of Woodland Drive just past St. John the Evangelist Elementary School located at 10201 Woodland Drive. In the event of rain, the media conference will be held inside in the "Kennedy Room" of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church across from the school.

The Montgomery County Police Department's Traffic Division announces a new "Safe Streets" corridor enforcement strategy to make streets in the county safer for both drivers and pedestrians. This continuing enforcement will be deployed on long stretches of roadways (corridors) in the county, in high incident areas (HIA), and in designated Safe Routes to Schools areas. Members of all six police Districts' Traffic Squads will come together to target a variety of offenses to include: speeding, turning violations, red light running, failure to obey traffic control devices, failure to yield to pedestrians, and pedestrian violations at intersections. Citations will be issued to both driver and pedestrian violators.

\*\*\*Members of the media are encouraged to attend to publicize this critical safety message.

After the conference, there will be opportunities to cover enforcements. Enforcement will only be rescheduled in the event of heavy rain and lightening.\*\*\*

Directions: From 495 (Beltway): NB Georgia Avenue toward Wheaton, right onto August Drive, left onto Woodland Drive. Parking on Woodland Drive. Media conference will either be held at the dead end of Woodland Drive, or in the event of rain, in the Kennedy Room on Woodland Drive located across from St. John the Evangelist school.

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